



Brownfields 2004 Grant Fact Sheet

Rural California Housing Corporation, West Sacramento, CA

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, the President signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The Rural California Housing Corporation was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. Cleanup of the WIND site will allow construction to begin on a safe house, which will provide energy-efficient, temporary housing for elderly persons who have been removed from their residences due to abuse. This emergency housing project will be the first of its kind on the West Coast.

The pesticide known to exist on the property is a potential health threat to residents and has deterred property resale.



Cleanup Grant

New
2004

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the Rural California Housing Corporation for a brownfields cleanup grant. The cleanup grant will be used to clean up hazardous substances contamination at the two-acre WIND (Sacramento Senior Safe House) site on 3420 East Country Club Lane, in the small Town and Country Village area of Sacramento County. WIND, a former pest control business that is now vacant, is contaminated with chlordane.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.